

BATTLE IN THE BOWL

RIDER INFORMATION

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Getting there

Location

The entrance to the site is off of the A31 dual carriageway between Winchester and Alresford. **See the Google map, here;**

<https://goo.gl/maps/XnEybx54bvE2>

PLEASE NOTE: The site entrance is on the south (Alresford to Winchester) carriageway. If you approaching from the Winchester direction, you will need turn right across the central reservation of the dual carriageway and pass over the other carriageway into the site. Please do so with care. Alternatively, continue onto the Alresford Roundabout and double back to approach the site with the entrance on your left, on your side of the carriageway.

If you want a **postcode** to follow use **SO21 1HW**. **PLEASE NOTE:** This does **not** go to the exact event centre, but a different part of the Matterley Estate. Only use this postcode to get you into the area; **check the Google map link above to know where you are (and use that for preference), and follow our yellow and orange CYCLE EVENT signs as you get close to the event.**

Parking

Follow signs into the event arena and park as directed by the event marshals.

Schedule

8:00 Registration Opens

8:15 Practice (*lower Bowl only*)

9:30 Junior Race (all cats, U16 & U14 30 minute duration, U12 20 min) (*+upper Bowl practice for seniors*)

10:30 Practice & junior prize giving

11:00 Open Race (20 miles approx. / 5 or 6 laps (*depending on lap distance*))

13:00 Practice & Open prize giving

13:45 Super CX Race (2 hour duration)

16:00 Elite Prize Giving

Timings may vary depending on field sizes and other factors. Any late schedule changes will be notified in advance if possible. Please listen for announcements over the race PA on the day.

Practice

“Practice” indicates periods when the specified sections of the circuit will be open for practice. Some sections not used for racing will remain open for practice during the Junior race period. Practice sessions maybe reduced if needed to accommodate the racing schedule. **YOU MUST HAVE YOUR RACE NUMBER ATTACHED TO YOUR BIKE DURING PRACTICE SESSIONS.** Riders without race numbers on their bikes will be removed from the course.

Registration

Registration opens from 8:00 am. On arrival, please report to registration. Give your name to the staff on the registration desk and you will be issued with your timing chip and bike number.

Prepare to ride

Timing chip

Your timing chip will be provided on an ankle strap and should be worn for the duration of the race. Please hand in your timing chip to the marshals or at registration at the end of your race. **DO NOT PASS OVER THE TIMING POINTS WITH YOUR CHIP ON PRACTICE LAPS.** You will be directed around these points during practice sessions. Only cross timing points when you are actually racing.

Race number

Your race number must be mounted on the front of your bike and must be clearly visible to view from the front. We recommend mounting onto / in front of the cables if possible. Zip ties will be provided for you to mount the number. You can keep your race number after the event; you do not need to return it to us (you only need to return your timing chip).

Starts

Please make your way to the start area 10–15 minutes before your scheduled race start. Listen for PA announcements about any schedule changes, or for calls to the start. Due to the distance / duration of each race, all categories in a race will start together. Start line ups may be gridded by category - please line up as directed by the start marshals.

Racing

This may be a battle, but we want a good, clean race! Obey marshals on the course, and pay attention to signs, notices and markings on the course. Dangerous riding or abusive behaviour are not tolerated and may result in removal from the race.

Final lap

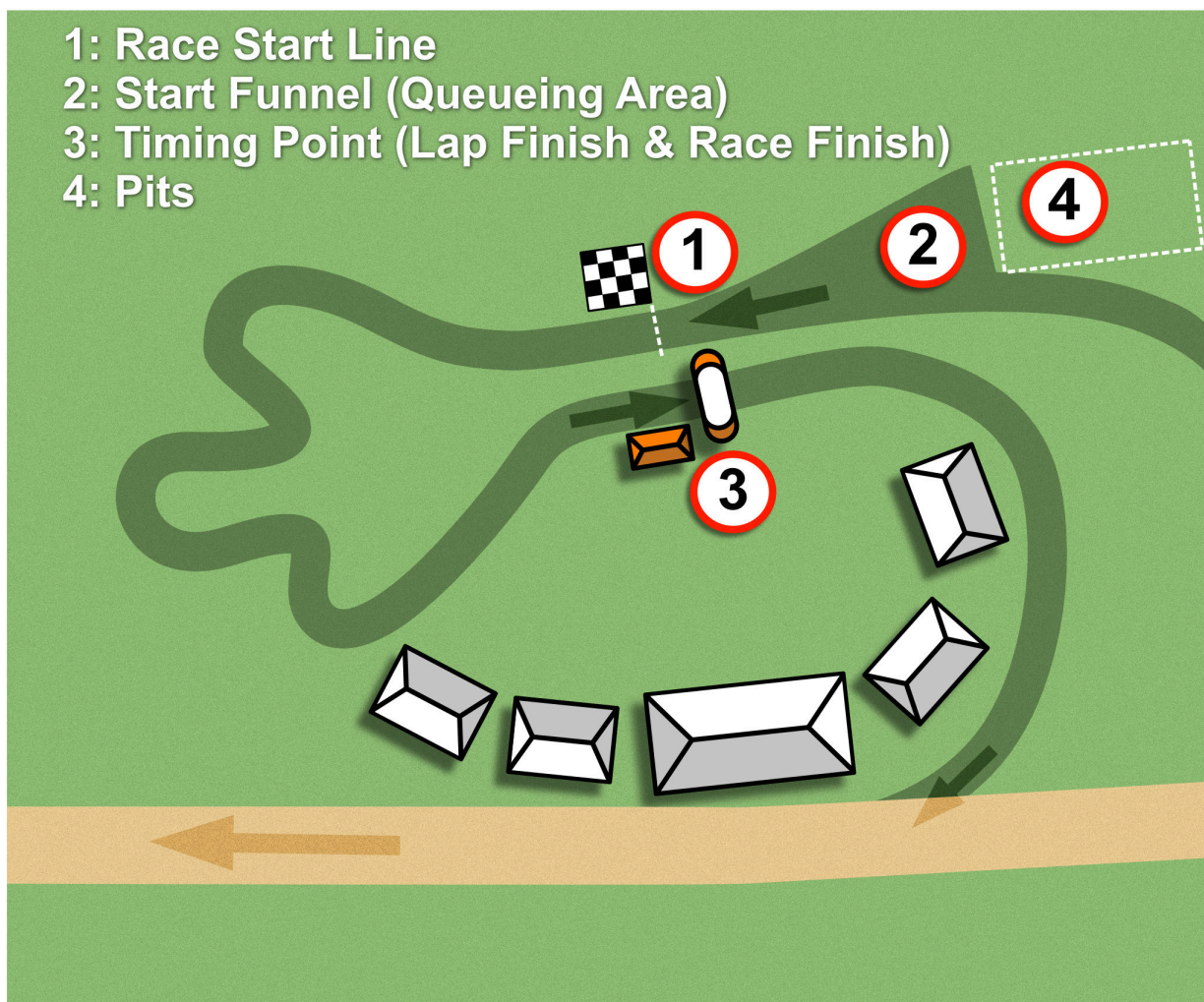
The bell for the final lap of the Elite Super CX race will commence when the race leader passes to begin their next lap within the 10 minutes running up to the completion of the two hour duration. This is due to the length of the circuit and duration of the race, to make sure that all riders complete 2+ hours of racing, without extending the race to in excess of 2.5+ hours.

Cycle racing can be hazardous activity. By entering this event, you agree to race responsibly, and take responsibility for the consequences of your actions to yourself, other riders, staff and attendees.

Course Notes

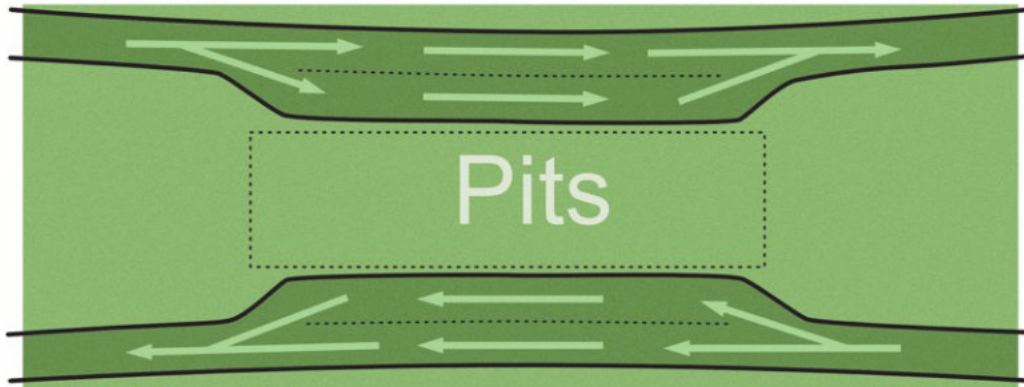
Start & Finish Area

The Race will start at the checkered flag, with riders gathered in the start funnel. The timing / lap finish point will be on the grass track opposite the start line. This timing point will also be the race finish line. After you cross the finish, you will be directed to continue under the arch for a final time and then to pull off of the course to allow space for other finishing riders.



Pits

The general pit area on the course will be accessible twice on each lap. The area will be accessible to the event marquee and team pits, and bike racks and water will be available here. Please enter and exit the pit area with caution.



On the site

Matterley Bowl is working farmland as well as an event venue. Please respect the site and do not enter areas marked as off limits or notified to you as off limits by the marshals.

Thanks for joining the Battle!

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